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SUBJECT: GERMAN HEAVY WATER SALES

REF: BONN 02605 (NOTAL)

1. FRG MINISTRY FOR RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY (BMFT)
FOLLOWED UP EMBASSY APPROACH MENTIONED REFTEL WITH
WRITTEN CONFIRMATION THAT THE TRANSFER OF US-SUPPLIED
HEAVY WATER FROM GERMANY TO JAPAN HAD BEEN DISCUSSED
WITH A.F. FRIEDMAN, G. F. HELFRICH AND J. GARRETT OF
ERDA. EURATOM SUPPLY AGENCY WAS ALSO INFORMED.

2. BMFT SUPPLIED THE FOLLOWING TEXT OF A PROPOSED
SAFEGUARDS ARRANGEMENT:

"APPROVALS, SAFEGUARDS, USE AND RETRANSFER

A) NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING CONTAINED IN THIS
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CONTRACT DELIVERIES UNDER THIS CONTRACT

ARE SUBJECT TO THE GRANTING OF THE APPROVALS, PERMITS OR CONSENTS BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY AND THE UNITED STATES ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION. GFK AND SIEMENS WILL APPLY FOR SUCH APPROVALS, PERMITS OR CONSENTS. PNC WILL APPLY FOR APPROVALS, PERMITS AND CONSENTS BY THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN.

B) THE PARTIES HERETO ACKNOWLEDGE AND ACCEPT THAT ALL OR ANY PART OF THE HEAVY WATER SOLD HEREUNDER SHALL BE USED SOLELY FOR CIVIL PURPOSES AND SHALL BE SUBJECT TO INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY SAFEGUARDS IN ORDER TO ENSURE THAT SUCH HEAVY WATER IS USED FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES ONLY.

C) THE HEAVY WATER SHALL BE RETAINED BY PNC FOR THE USE OUTLINED IN SECTION 1 ABOVE AND SHALL NOT BE TRANSFERRED TO UNAUTHORIZED PERSONS OR BEYOND THE JURISDICTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN UNLESS THE UNITED STATES ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION HAS GIVEN ITS PRIOR WRITTEN CONSENT TO SUCH TRANSFER."

WHICH WAS ALSO DISCUSSED WITH ERDA OFFICIALS.

3. BMFT REQUESTED ESTIMATE OF TIME REQUIRED TO OBTAIN THE "MUTUAL AGREEMENT IN WRITING" REQUIRED BY ARTICLE 8 OF THE SALES AGREEMENT OF APRIL 30, 1968.

4. ANOTHER SECTION OF BMFT INFORMED EMBASSY S&T COUNSELOR INFORMALLY THAT 160 TONNES OF HEAVY WATER ARE TO BE TRANSFERRED TO JAPAN AND THAT 20 TONNES ARE TO GO TO CANADA. THIS CONTACT PROPOSED, HOWEVER, THAT THE GERMAN USER OF THE HEAVY WATER (KARLSRUHE NUCLEAR INSTITUTE, GFK) INFORM THE EURATOM SUPPLY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AGENCY WHICH WOULD THEN CONSULT WITH ERDA THROUGH ERDA OFFICIALS AT USEC. IN HIS VIEW, THIS WOULD BE BEST CHANNEL FOR THESE AND SIMILAR FUTURE CONSULTATIONS.

5. PLEASE ADVISE.
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